

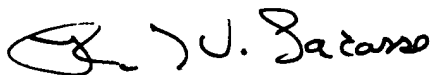
CLAIM TO PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 120

Applicant hereby claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to U.S. Patent No. 6,184,881,
entitled (US application number 08/954,852, filed 10/21/97).

Summary:

If it is felt that an interview would expedite prosecution of this application, please do not
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